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News Release

Chief Judge J. L. Edmondson announced today that the United States Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Judicial Circuit has appointed Laurel M. Isicoff as Bankruptcy Judge in the Southern District of Florida. Bankruptcy Judge Isicoff will take her oath of office on February 13, 2006, and will serve a term of 14-years. The Southern District of Florida Bankruptcy Court handles bankruptcy cases filed in nine Florida counties ranging from Indian River County to Monroe County. Bankruptcy Judge Isicoff's duty station will be at Miami, Florida.

She joins the bankruptcy bench following more than two decades as a bankruptcy law practitioner, 14 years of which have been with the Miami law firm Kozyak Tropin & Throckmorton. For the past nine years, Bankruptcy Judge Isicoff was a partner in the firm, where she specialized in bankruptcy law, distressed property workouts, commercial mortgage foreclosures, and commercial landlord/tenant litigation. Mrs. Isicoff, a native of New York, earned her law degree from the University of Miami School of Law, where she graduated with honors in 1982. She was admitted to the Florida Bar in 1982, and has practiced bankruptcy law in Florida since 1984.